# **BALLOT REQUEST FORM**

Year 2002 Soil Conservation District (SCD) Supervisor Election

Instructions: **Only one (1) individual per form**. Form may be duplicated as needed. A registered voter who does not own or manage private agricultural land may vote in the SCD where they reside. A private agricultural landowner or operator may vote in all SCDs in which they own or operate land. If you own or operate land in more than one SCD, please complete a separate form for each SCD.

I hereby request a ballot for the following SCD Supervisor election:

	List SCD Name, if known – (If not known it will be determined by your address below.)
СНЕ	ECK ALL APPLICABLE:
9	I am a resident of this SCD and a registered voter where I reside.
9	I am a principal agricultural land owner/manager in the above SCD(s) who makes final decisions for a farm or ranch operating unit.
9	I wish to vote in this election only.
9	I wish to have my name remain on the voting list for future elections. I understand that I must vote in this, or have voted in the last, SCD election to have my name remain on the list for the next SCD election
	Signature
Nar	me (printed)
Mai	ling Address
City	r/State/Zip

Return this form postmarked by February 7, 2002, to the
Utah Soil Conservation Commission, PO Box 146500, Salt Lake City UT 84114-6500
or FAX to 801-538-4940
If you have any questions, please call 801-538-7120

(See other side for a description of an SCD and the election.)

## SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR ELECTION

## WHAT IS A SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT?

A Soil Conservation District (SCD) is a subdivision of state government. It is classified as a dependent special district. All land in Utah is divided into SCDs. An SCD deals with land and water resource conditions on privately owned land. Boundaries of Utah's 38 SCDs follow county or state lines, or major watershed boundaries.

A five-member board of elected citizens, called SCD Supervisors governs an SCD. SCD board members give local direction, priority and support to programs that enhance and protect private land and water resources. These programs have medium and long-term benefits to society and the environment, thus they are often publicly funded. Sometimes the board interacts with public land managers when their decisions impact private land. Board decisions are made in regular meetings, which are open to the public.

#### THE ELECTION

A biennial election is now in progress to fill two of the five positions on each of the state's SCD boards. Each term of office runs four years. Candidates have been chosen by a local nominating committee and in some cases by citizen petition. Each candidate has been provided a summary of position duties and has signed a Commitment to Serve form if elected.

The Utah Soil Conservation Commission directs SCD elections with staff support from the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, PO Box 146500, Salt Lake City UT 84114-6500, phone 538-7120, Email "sedginton.agmain@state.ut.us".

#### WHO CAN VOTE?

Ballots are mailed to the principal farm or ranch land managers listed with the Utah Soil Conservation Commission. Other registered voters may participate by requesting a ballot by using this form.

## WHAT ARE THE DEADLINES?

A **ballot request form** must be received in the Commission office by February 7, 2002.

Returned ballots must be postmarked by February 19, 2002.

## **QUESTIONS?**

Contact the UT Soil Conservation Commission office (See above), or local soil conservation district officials for more details on the SCD Supervisor elections.